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Corps of Engineers announces closure of off-road vehicle area at Lavon Lake

FORT WORTH, TX - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has decided to permanently close the off-road vehicle area located near the Lavon Lake dam.

In July 2001, the Corps' Fort Worth District received a request from the City of Lavon to close the area. The City's request was prompted by complaints from citizens that live near the off-road vehicle area.

In May 2002, the Corps issued a public notice announcing the consideration of a request from the City of Lavon to close the off-road vehicle area. The public notice solicited comments from interested individuals and groups. After reviewing the comments and considering the future of the area, Corps officials decided to permanently close the area effective October 1, 2002.

Safety concerns, the small size of the area and the lack of resources to properly improve and maintain the area were some of the primary reasons for the decision. Corps officials also cited concerns that the increasing demands being placed on the small riding area will only compound existing problems in the near future.

An optional site in the area for off-road vehicle use is Boondoxx Motorcross (972-782-7610) which opened in March of this year near Lavon Lake.

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